

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesotans share a unique enthusiasm for sports, as they provide valuable

opportunities for recreation, social development, physical fitness, and fun; and

WHEREAS: All women, men, girls, and boys should have opportunities to participate in

sports to enhance their lives; and

WHEREAS: It has been recognized locally and nationally that there is a need to increase

opportunities for girls and women in sports and to celebrate their

accomplishments; and

WHEREAS: Minnesotans have worked hard to remove the barriers facing girls and women

who want to participate in sports and have made enormous strides to get more

girls and women involved in sports; and

WHEREAS: The Women's Sports Foundation created National Girls and Women in Sports

Day in 1987, to celebrate and commemorate the victories and growth of girls and

women in sports; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota is a national leader in the development of opportunities for girls and

women in sports and has much to celebrate.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim February 6, 2013, as:

## GIRLS AND WOMEN IN SPORTS DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 26<sup>th</sup> day of December.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE

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